

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 ANKARA 09458 140809Z
ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-04 H-02 INR-07 L-03
NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-02 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15 USIA-15
ACDA-10 SAJ-01 TRSE-00 /080 W
----- 121514 /21

R 140610Z DEC 76
FM AMEMBASSY ANKARA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5786
INFO AMEMBASSY ATHENS
AMEMBASSY NICOSIA
AMCONSUL ADANA
AMCONSUL ISTANBUL
AMCONSUL IZMIR
USMISSION NATO
USDOCOSOUTH
EUCOM

UNCLAS ANKARA 9458

E.O.11652: N/A
TAGS: PFOR, TU, GR, CY
SUBJECT: TURKISH PRESS ON CAGLAYANGIL-BITSIOS TALKS, NATO MINISTERIAL
MEETING

1. DECEMBER 11-13 TURKISH PRESS REACTED IN GENERALLY FAVORABLE
WAY TO THE BITSIOS-CAGLAYANGIL TALKS AT BRUSSELS. THE COMMUNIQUE
ISSUED BY THE TWO MINISTERS, ANNOUNCING THAT THE NEXT MEETING
ON THE CONTINENTAL SHELF ISSUE WOULD BE HELD TOWARD THE END OF
JANUARY 1977 AND THAT TALKS ON THE AEGEAN AIR SPACE ISSUE WOULD
BE RESUMED IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE, WAS WIDELY REPORTED.

2. IN FINAL NEWS STORIES ON THE NAC MEETING,
SEVERAL PAPERS NOTED THAT "ISLOATION" OF GREECE HAD OCCURRED AT
THAT MEETING. THE PRESTIGIOUS JOURNALIST METIN TOKER IN
DECEMBER 12 HURRIYET STATED THAT TURKEY'S ONLY SUCCESS AT THE
NAC WAS THAT "EVERYONE SAW THAT IT IS GREECE WHO IS SHIRKING
NEGOTIATIONS, AND UNLESS CARTER PUTS AN END TO THE GREEKS' DREAMS
BY HAVING THE DEFENSE COOPERATION AGREEMENT RATIFIED, NO
AGREEMENT CAN BE REACHED BETWEEN TURKEY AND GREECE."

3. AN IMPORTANT THEME IN PRESS COMMENTARY WAS THE QUESTION OF
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 ANKARA 09458 140809Z

POSTPONING ACTION ON IMPORTANT GREEK-TURKISH ISSUES UNTIL AFTER

THE U.S. INAUGURAL. IN A DECEMBER 13 MILLIYET EDITORIAL ABDI
IPEKCI BERATED ATHENS FOR "WAITING FOR CARTER" AS WELL AS THE
DEMIREL GOVERNMENT FOR WAITING FOR TURKISH ELECTIONS. ACCORDING
TO IPEKCI, BOTH SIDES SHOULD GIVE UP "ACTING THE PROVOCATIVE HEROES
AND SENSIBLY COME TO TERMS." SAME DAY CONSERVATIVE TERCUMAN
TOOK A DIFFERENT TACK AND CONCLUDED THAT THE VARIOUS GREEK-TURKISH
PROBLEMS CANNOT BE SOLVED WITH PRESSURE FROM OUTSIDE COUNTRIES,
REGARDLESS OF FORD'S GOING OR CARTER'S COMING, THE LIFTING OR
NOT OF THE EMBARGO, NOR THE DEGREE OF PRESSURE FROM THE
GREEK LOBBY. THE EDITORIAL OPTIMISTICALLY CONCLUDED THAT THE
GREEKS COULD EVENTUALLY NEGOTIATE SERIOUSLY.
MACOMBER

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: PRESS COMMENTS, CONTINENTAL SHELF, FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETINGS, COMMUNIQUEs, NEGOTIATIONS, TERRITORIAL CLAIMS, AEGEAN
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 14 DEC 1976
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976ANKARA09458
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760460-0063
From: ANKARA
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19761243/aaaabkmmk.tel
Line Count: 73
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: schwenja
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 14 JUN 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <14 JUN 2004 by hattaycs>; APPROVED <19 AUG 2004 by schwenja>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: TURKISH PRESS ON CAGLAYANGIL-BITSIOS TALKS, NATO MINISTERIAL MEETING
TAGS: PFOR, TU, GR, CY, (CAGLAYANGIL, IHSAN), (BITSIOS, DIMITRIOS)
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006